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28 September, 6 and 12 October 1949

1. Eighteen fighters with in-line engine, three-bladed propeller and landing gear retracting inward were parked near the hangars of the ORANIENBURG (N 53/Z 67) airfield. There was no flying.

2. 28 September 1949

A radio station of two radio trucks and two tents was on the southeast edge of the field. One radio truck had an antenna atop (see Annex 1).

3. a. A new large garage on Rudolf-Breitscheid-Strasse was confiscated by the Soviets and fenced-in.

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b. The air force quartering buildings were almost vacant, only about one tenth of the windows being lighted at night.

4. 6 October 1949

The mentioned radio station was no longer there.

5. 19 October 1949

Only nine of the above described fighters were parked in front of the hanger.

6. 25 October 1949

Besides the mentioned planes, a biplane and a twin-engine aircraft were observed. There was no flying although the weather was fair. No soldiers were observed on duty.

7. 24 October 1949

A possible radar station, mounted on poles arranged in a square,

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stood about 300 feet north of the field. It was covered with tarpaulins because of heavy rains but, according to its shape, was thought to be a radar set (see Annex 2).

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9. 2 November 1949

There were no workers at the field. The construction work was apparently completed. The upper lengths of the new runway were similar to that of an autobahn.

Comment:

25X1 a. The report confirms that the field is occupied by fighters. According to previous reports [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] the fighters are assigned to a regiment stationed in STENDAL up to September 1949.

25X1 b. The radio station reproduced in Annex 1 is presumably of the same type of construction as the one previously observed [redacted] in PSENHUSENDE *. The radar sets reproduced in Annex 2 are reported for the first time to be stationed in ORANIENBURG.

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2 Annexes: 1. Radio Station of two Radio Trucks and two Tents Observed at the ORANIENBURG Airfield .

2. Radar Set Observed North of the ORANIENBURG Airfield.

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